January 23, 2001

Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station Boston, MA 02110

ATTN: Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

RE: Massachusetts American Water Company and State Senator Robert L. Hedlund

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

Enclosed please find the Petition of State Senator Robert L. Hedlund for Leave to Intervene and Notice of Appearance in the above captioned matter. I have also emailed to the Department a copy of the enclosed.

Should anything further be required, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at Room 309, State House, Boston, MA 02133-1053, tel. 617-722-1646, fax 617-722-1028.

Thank you for your courtesy and cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

KATHLEEN L. PUTNEY

STAFF LEGAL COUNSEL

Office of State Senator Robert L. Hedlund
Room 309, State House

Boston, MA 02133-1053

Encl s.

cc: Board of Selectmen, Town of Hull
Board of Selectmen, Town of Hingham
James A. Toomey, Esq.
Thomas G. Tumilty, Esq.
James B. Lampke, Esq.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

SUFFOLK, SS. DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY NO. D. T. E. 00-105

IN RE: THE MATTER OF MASSACHUSETTS-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

PETITION OF STATE SENATOR ROBERT L. HEDLUND
OF THE PLYMOUTH/NORFOLK DISTRICT
FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE
IN PROCEEDINGS

- 1. Now comes the State Senator for the Plymouth and Norfolk District, the Honorable Robert L. Hedlund, and respectfully petitions the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") for leave to intervene in the within proceedings.
- 2. The name and address of the petitioner is State Senator Robert L. Hedlund, with a principal place of business at Room 309, State House, Boston, Massachusetts 02133-1053.
- 3. State Senator Robert L. Hedlund, as the senator representing the towns of Hull, Hingham and Cohasset, asserts that as a representative of the citizens of said towns, which are customers of Massachusetts-American Water Company ("Company") his constituents as inhabitants are directly effected by any rate restructuring or other action taken by the Department on the Company's petition or affecting the Company.
- 4. Specifically, and without limitation, Senator Hedlund asserts that the rate increase sought by the Company is not warranted nor based on prudent practices and that other items contained in said petition must be addressed with a view towards protecting the interest of the public. Senator Hedlund wishes to address and have the Department address all issues, including but not limited to the treatment plant, services, management, fire protection rates and other rates. Senator Hedlund reserves the right to raise additional issues in contention.
- 5. Senator Hedlund seeks in the nature of relief that the Company be denied the rate increases, that the fire protection rates be adjusted, equitably, reduced or eliminated, that the Company be ordered to take appropriate steps to address the concerns of the Senator, that the Company be required to exercise prudent practices in its operation and that any rates set and other approvals and operational methods not be oppressive, excessive or contrary to the interest of Hull, Hingham and Cohasset and the inhabitants of those towns, or the public.
- 6. Senator Hedlund anticipates that he will present evidence, in cooperation with the other interveners, in these proceedings in support of his contentions. Such evidence includes the rebuttal to the documentation relied upon by the Company and additional information as to the method of operation of the Company, all of which is relevant to these proceedings.
- 7. All further rights, defenses and objections are hereby reserved and not waived.

Respectfully submitted,	
Senator Robert L. Hedlund	
By his Staff Legal Counsel	,

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OFFICE OF STATE SENATOR

ROBERT L. HEDLUND

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Certificate of Service

I, Kathleen L. Putney, certify that I have this day served the Massachusetts-American Water Company with a copy of the within Petition of State Senator Robert L. Hedlund for Leave to Intervene in Proceedings by mailing a copy, postage pre-paid to Thomas G. Tumilty, Esq., Nixon Peabody, LLP, 101 Federal Street, Boston, MA 02010; James A. Toomey, Esq., Town Counsel-Town of Hingham, Murphy Hesse Toomey & Lehane, 300 Crown Colony Drive, Box 9126, Quincy, MA 02169; and James B. Lampke, Town Counsel-Town of Hull, 115 North Street, Hingham, MA 02043.

Date:	

Kathleen L. Putney

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

No. D. T. E. 00-105

In Re: The Matter Of Massachusetts-American Water Company

APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL

In the above-entitled proceeding, I hereby appear for and on behalf of:

STATE SENATOR ROBERT L. HEDLUND

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